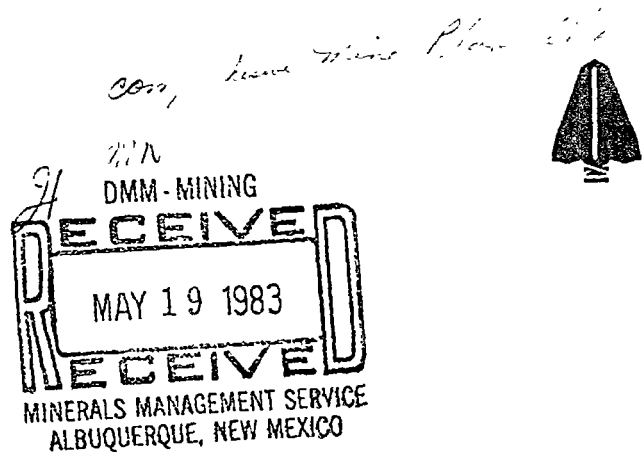


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May 17, 1983

Mr. Marc Nelson  
Bureau of Land Management  
505 Marquette Avenue, N.W., Suite 815  
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Dear Mr. Nelson:

Farlier this month, I talked with you regarding the possible close-down of Anaconda's air monitoring station on "F" dump at the Jackpile-Paguate Mine site. The closure of this station is desirable to Anaconda because of the difficulty and expense of continuing to provide power to the station.

Beginning the last of June, 1983, the mine housing facilities will be vacated and all utilities will be severed. At that time, the electric service to the air monitoring station will be the sole use of a 24,900 volt line into the south portion of the mine site. I consider this service for the sole purpose of running the station to be excessively expensive and a possible safety concern.

We now have several years' background information on that station and we will not be disturbing the mine site area until reclamation activities resume. Additionally, we plan to continue operating the other three (3) stations as usual.

Considering the above, I request your approval to discontinue operation of the air monitoring station on "F" dump until such time that reclamation activities resume at the mine site or until electrical power can be obtained under more reasonable conditions.

Your consideration will be appreciated. Please call me if you have questions on this request.

Sincerely,

*Meade A. Stirland*  
Meade A. Stirland, Manager  
Environment, Health & Safety

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JACKPILE-PAGUATE GROUNDWATER MONITORING PLAN

RECOMMENDED FUTURE MONITORING

<u>Well</u>	<u>Area</u>
M-16	Jackpile - Downgradient
M-14	Jackpile - Upgradient
D	Jackpile - In Backfill
M-4	N. Pagate - Downgradient
C	N. Pagate - In Backfill
M-6	S. & N. Pagate - Upgradient
M-2	S. Pagate - Downgradient
M-10	S. Pagate - Downgradient
B	S. Pagate - In Backfill

Parameters & Frequency

Key: Quarterly

Field ground water level

Field temperature

Field and lab pH

Field and lab conductivity

Total dissolved solids

Sulfate

Radium-226

Uranium

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Complete Suite: Annually

Same parameters as on Table A-11 of the March 83  
Dames & Moore Groundwater Report plus KEY paramters.